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In response to the Notice of Abandonment dated November 5, 2003, Applicants hereby petition to request withdrawal of said holding of Abandonment. The Notice of Abandonment was stated as being in response to Applicant's failure to respond to the Office Action mailed March 31, 2003.

However, Applicants responded to the March 31, 2003 Office Action with a Response faxed to the PTO on July 30, 2003. The July 30, 2003 Response is attached, as well as

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the fax receipt showing complete transmission of the Response on July 30, 2003.

Therefore, Applicant humbly requests that the holding of Abandonment be withdrawn and that the 111 Amendment faxed July 30, 2003, be entered.

Although it is believed that no fees are required at this time, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may arise because of this request to Deposit Account 08-0960.

Please contact the Undersigned at (219) 462-4999 with any questions. Thank you.

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**Re: OFFICIAL RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

The following is an OFFICIAL RESPONSE to an Office Action filed March 31, 2003, in the below-identified U.S. Patent Application.

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